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In Re: I-Sing Roger Niu et al.  
Case: P4509C1  
Serial No.: 10/821,367  
Filed: 04/09/2004  
Subject: Method and Apparatus for Improving Data Transmission in Router Fabric Cards through Pseudo-Synchronous Data Switching

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Dear Sir:

## Response A